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- The oxygen factory in Ruse is located 10 kilometers west of Maribor on the southern bank of the Drava River, adjoining the Maribor-Fala highway. The factory site occupies an area one kilometer long and approximately 500 meters wide. The factory has its own railroad siding.
- The factory produces carbonic acid and carbon dioxide, which are shipped in tubes of an unspecified nature; liquid oxygen, carbide, and various fertilizers. Recently a new section was added to the factory for the processing of chrome (the precise process is not yet known), which is used as the explosive element in various bombs and hand granades. This processed material is sent chiefly to Belgrade.
- Two Hungarian engineers, officers who formerly worked in the Hungarian armaments factory Friedrich Weismann "Capel" (sic), are employed in the explosives section of the factory. The new director of the factory is an unidentified German engineer. The factory, which employs 840 workers, receives its electric power from the Fala Power Station.
- The legend of the attached sketch of the factory is as follows:
  - Carpenter workshop.
  - Oxygen producing section.
  - 3. Section for the production and packaging of carbonic acid.
  - Carbide producing section.
  - Fertilizer producing section.
  - 6. Explosives producing section.
  - Section for the preparation of materials used in the manufacture of explosives.
  - Warehouse containing finished materials.

Factory directorate and offices

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